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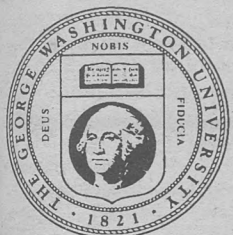
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Student group e-mail may violate JEC rules

BY MATT BERGER
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

Although Andrew Lewis has not yet officially filed his petition of candidacy for Student Association president, his campaign hit a snag Tuesday when a supporter used an organization's e-mail list to solicit help for the election.

Rob Miller, Student Network Admissions Program co-chair, used the organization's e-mail distribution list to ask members to attend a campaign meeting.

"A very good friend of mine (and past SNAP member!) is running for Student Association President in this Spring's elections. That friend's name is Andrew Lewis," Miller wrote in the first e-mail message Tuesday.

He went on to invite members to a meeting at Columbia Plaza on Wednesday and suggested they invite friends.

After the first e-mail was sent, Miller claimed that he wrote it without the knowledge of any SNAP member or any member of Lewis' campaign. "I am noticing my mistake and I am totally apologetic," he said.

However, in an e-mail sent later that night, Miller claimed that the first letter was actually SNAP's endorsement of Lewis for president.

"The intention of the last e-mail was not a personal endorsement from Rob Miller. It was an endorsement by (SNAP) for Andrew Lewis," Miller wrote in the second message.

Then on Wednesday evening, Miller sent another e-mail, this time retracting the endorsement.

"Historically, the Student Network Admissions Program does not endorse candidates. I sincerely apologize to anyone who was offended," Miller said. "What started out as a random act of kindness turned into an event about which I am highly embarrassed."

Lewis would not comment on the retraction, but he had said earlier that he was aware of the endorsement.

"I did know that there was going to be an endorsement from SNAP," Lewis said. "But I did not know that (e-mail) was going to be the means that they were using."

SNAP is a student-run organization that works in conjunction with the Office of Undergraduate

(See LEWIS, p. 13)



Claire Duggan/Photo Editor

The First Family enjoys celebrating the start of four more years of the Clinton presidency. GW students celebrated later at the Inaugural Ball on campus.

Inauguration ignites patriotic celebration

BY EMILY PHELPS AND
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HATCHET REPORTERS

Cold morning temperatures, long coat check lines and crowded dance floors did little to prevent GW students from enjoying the Inaugural festivities Monday.

GW students joined the more than 200,000 people who watched President Clinton's second swearing-in ceremony on the steps of the Capitol Monday morning. Later that night, 3,000 people crowded into the Marvin Center for GW's own Inaugural Ball.

The hour-long Inauguration ceremony included speeches, songs and poetry celebrating the swearing-in of the last president of the 20th century.

The invocation was offered by the Reverend Billy Graham, who asked Americans to "give to all our leaders the vision of what you desire America to become, and the wisdom to accomplish it, and the strength to cross the bridges into the 21st century."

Music was an integral part of the 53rd Presidential Inauguration. The Children of the Gospel: The Next Generation Choir performed, "Let's Build A Bridge Across America," an original song by their director, Ricky Payton Sr. "American Medley," a medley of songs about America, was sung by

opera great Jessye Norman. Both songs were accompanied by the United States Marine Band.

Poet Miller Williams read a poem called "Of History and Hope," written for Clinton's second Inauguration.

"I thought the entertainment was good," said GW freshman onlooker Saila Siva.

Clinton's speech, which lasted just more than 20 minutes, focused on the choices Americans face at the beginning of each century.

"At the dawn of the 21st century, a free people must now choose to shape the forces of the Information Age and the global society, to unleash the limitless potential of all our people," Clinton said.

"We will sustain America's journey. The promise we sought in a new land we will find again in a land of new promise," he added. Clinton spoke of this land of promise as one where "education will be every citizen's most prized possession," schools would be of the highest quality and higher education and opportunity would be open to all.

The president later said that "we need a new government for a new century - humble enough not to try to solve all of our problems for us, but strong enough to give us the tools to solve the problems for ourselves."

(See REVELERS, p. 13)

Court rule to decide credit unions' future

Stay allows NIH to continue enrollment

BY NIKKI KOLODNY
HATCHET REPORTER

The National Institutes of Health Federal Credit Union has served the GW community since 1992, but recent court decisions threaten future transactions between NIH and the University.

A U.S. District Court decision on Oct. 25, 1996, prohibited credit unions from enrolling new members or soliciting new groups not belonging to the "core" membership of their parent organizations. The decision would allow the NIH Federal Credit Union to enroll only National Institutes of Health employees.

However, the credit unions filed an appeal at the U.S. Court of Appeals and have petitioned the Supreme Court to hear their case as well. On Dec. 24, 1996, a partial stay was granted until the Supreme Court decides whether to rule on the case.

The stay allows current NIH Federal Credit Union members to stay with the organization. However, credit unions are not allowed to seek new membership from people not employed by the parent company.

GW Vice President and Treasurer Louis Katz said in the Jan. 13 issue of The Washington Post that the University will consider a variety of options if the Supreme Court rules against the credit unions or decides not to hear

their case at all. One of these options is a proposal for GW to open its own credit union.

Charles Barber, an attorney in GW's Office of the General Counsel, said he sees the partial stay as a "window of opportunity" because existing members are protected.

At the center of the issue is a dispute between the credit unions and the American Bankers Administration over the interpretation of the Federal Credit Union Act of 1934.

According to that act, a credit union must have a "common bond" such as an occupation, association or residence within a certain geographic area. This vague language has enabled credit unions to expand and grow over the years, allowing them to draw membership from a broader community than just employees of small businesses.

Credit unions are non-profit organizations and only account for two percent of the entire market share. But for the past seven years, the American Bankers Administration has brought allegations to court against credit unions, claiming they have overstepped their bounds with regard to enrolling new members.

Courts have been on the credit unions' side until recently.

Lindsay Alexander, the NIH Federal Credit Union president

(See GW, p. 13)

Students raise protest after registration error

BY KEVIN ECKSTROM
SENIOR NEWS EDITOR

When GW senior Mike Harmanos was planning four years of classes his freshman year, he said he heard of a class taught by media superstar Steve Roberts entitled, "Political Communication in Governance and Policy-Making."

He knew the class was so popular there was no way he could register for it until he was a senior, so he decided to wait.

Now it appears he will not be able to take the class with Roberts for which he has been waiting three years because of an administrative "human error."

Harmanos, a political science major, is one of 21 students who

was automatically dropped from the section taught by Roberts on Monday nights after the class was cross-registered by three academic departments.

Forty-two students registered for the class intended for no more than 21, and five more were waiting to get in. Instead of being listed only as a political communication class, it was also available through the political science and journalism departments.

"I bided my time and waited until I could most likely get in ... but apparently that's not the case," Harmanos said.


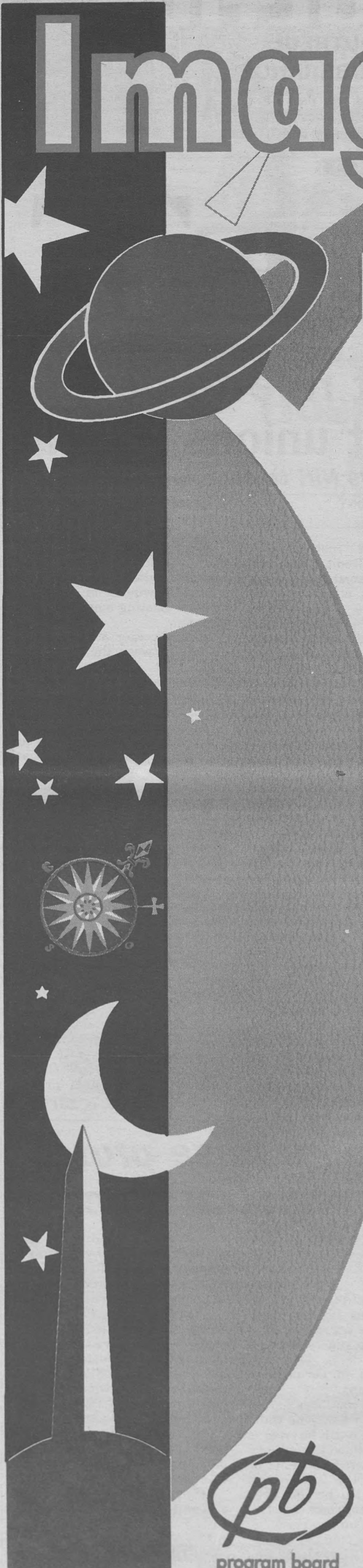
Harmanos and three other students have filed a complaint with the Columbian School of Arts and Sciences and hope to

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Homecoming sparks celebration

Diverse events solicit student spirit for week's activities

BY STACEY FELSEN
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

"Imagine the possibilities" is the theme for the Jan. 20-30 Homecoming festivities, which will be co-sponsored by the Program Board and the Student Association. "We want to build on the spirit of the Inauguration and build GW spirit," said Omar Ashmawy, parties chair for PB and coordinator of Homecoming.

The celebration began in style Monday night with GW's Inaugural Ball.

Bosnian Ambassador Szen Alkalaj will speak in the Marvin Center Ballroom Jan. 23. The lecture will focus on the civil wars in Bosnia and the nation's state of affairs. A brief reception as well as an informal Greek rush event will follow the speech.

The Homecoming comedy show will feature Brian Regan, American Comedy's comedian of the year, Jan. 24 at 8 p.m. in Lisner Auditorium. Tickets are available for \$5 at the GW Newsstand.

The weekend was to include a night of comedy with Janeane Garofalo, but her show has been postponed until May 2 because she is filming a movie. Tickets already purchased will be honored at the May show. Refunds can be acquired at the GW Newsstand or by contacting TicketMaster at 202-432-SEAT.

Saturday's events begin at 2 p.m. with a men's basketball game against La Salle at the Smith Center. The women's match against La Salle follows at 4 p.m. A postgame party featuring the rap

group DAS-EFX will be held in the Marvin Center Ballroom at 9 p.m. Attendees will be asked to contribute \$3, which will be donated to UNICEF.

The Colonial Women will play Rhode Island Jan. 29 at 7 p.m. at the Smith Center. The men's team will take on Massachusetts Jan. 30 at 7:30 p.m.

The UMass game will be kicked off by a pregame tailgate party on the Quad at 4:30 p.m., and a 5:30 p.m. pregame show called "Colonial jam" will be held in the Smith Center prior to the game. The event, similar to last fall's Colonial Madness, will feature giveaways, prizes, basketball contests, prizes and an open USAir ticket, Ashmawy said.

Festivities will come to a close with a "Night in the Marvin Center" from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. Jan. 30. In keeping with the theme, a coffee house, gambling, psychics, hot tub, spin art, DJ and free food will highlight the evening.

"This 'Night in the Marvin Center' promises to be more hands-on, creating all possibilities," said Kathleen Bolton, a graduate assistant in the Office of Campus Activities. "You can be creative and do what you want to do. We want students to be able to do things they wouldn't normally do. You can even come after 'ER.'"

Anyone seeking further information on Homecoming events can call the Program Board office at 994-7313.

JEC fields pre-campaign questions at hearing

The Joint Elections Committee addressed questions and comments concerning the preliminary rules of this year's election in a public meeting Wednesday night.

Concerns were raised about requiring a candidate to receive 50 percent of the vote in order to win the election without a runoff. Some students felt that obtaining a 50 percent majority posed a great difficulty because of multiple candidates. Others defended the rule by citing the Student Association constitution.

Campaign gifts and donations came into question as well because all candidates can only receive gifts that are "at fair market value." The JEC was asked to define this rule in more specific terms.

Other issues that were raised included absentee ballots, restrictions on e-mail and rules connected with eligibility of candidates.

The JEC said it will take the comments made during the meeting into consideration and a final version of the rules will be available Friday at noon.

-Margaret Magee

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E-mailgate?

Student politicians at GW just don't seem to understand the meaning of "conflict of interest." Student Association elections haven't even started, but already a student has inappropriately used student group materials — in this case, an e-mail list server — to hype his chosen candidate.

Andrew Lewis, a former member of the Student Network Admissions Program, plans to run for SA president. So Rob Miller, a fellow SNAP member who happens to be the group's co-chairman, sent an e-mail to SNAP's listserv, inviting members to a campaign meeting.

For one thing, the Joint Elections Committee rules say such unsolicited campaign e-mail is not allowed. The e-mail seemed to thoughtlessly assume that every SNAP member wants to support Lewis.

For another, although it's a student-run organization, SNAP is affiliated with the Office of Undergraduate Admissions. Even the slightest hint that a group affiliated with the administration supports a specific candidate is damaging to the political process on campus.

We understand that the e-mail in question was not an intentional attempt to abuse the system, and Miller has apologized. However, at one point, he claimed the e-mail was actually the group's endorsement of Lewis — a statement he later retracted.

Lewis himself says he didn't know about the e-mail, so he can't totally be blamed. But because he's made his intentions to run known, he still has some responsibility in this. If you plan to run for office on this campus, you have to play it straight — and you have to tell your friends that if they want to help you out, they have to play it straight, too.

In addition, the JEC should not let this go unnoticed. Levying a retroactive fine on Lewis after he declares his candidacy would discourage future candidates and their friends from such behavior. Otherwise, candidates could break all the rules up until the day the campaign season "officially" begins. Official or not, it's always campaign season on this campus.

Throw 'em out

As if shady politics on campus weren't bad enough, things are a mess off campus, too. The Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A has been hamstrung by the irresponsible, spiteful behavior of its members.

Commissioners Dorothy Miller and Maria Tyler have stormed out of several recent ANC meetings. At the last meeting, Miller, Tyler and Commissioner Bernard Mozer did not even bother to show up. Without them, the ANC has no quorum and therefore cannot conduct any business.

The commissioners should be ashamed of themselves and have no business remaining on the ANC. The people of Foggy Bottom should be outraged by this despicable behavior, and they should do something about it. They should recall the commissioners.

District law allows residents to petition the city for a new election if they feel an ANC commissioner is not doing his or her job. In this case, it's obvious these members aren't. Miller and Tyler, in particular, have repeatedly demonstrated that their personal agendas are more important than the neighborhood's business.

Miller and Tyler also have been historically anti-GW, often voting down good proposals simply because they involved the University. But we'd rather see them at least show up to meetings to oppose GW than continue this cowardly political game.

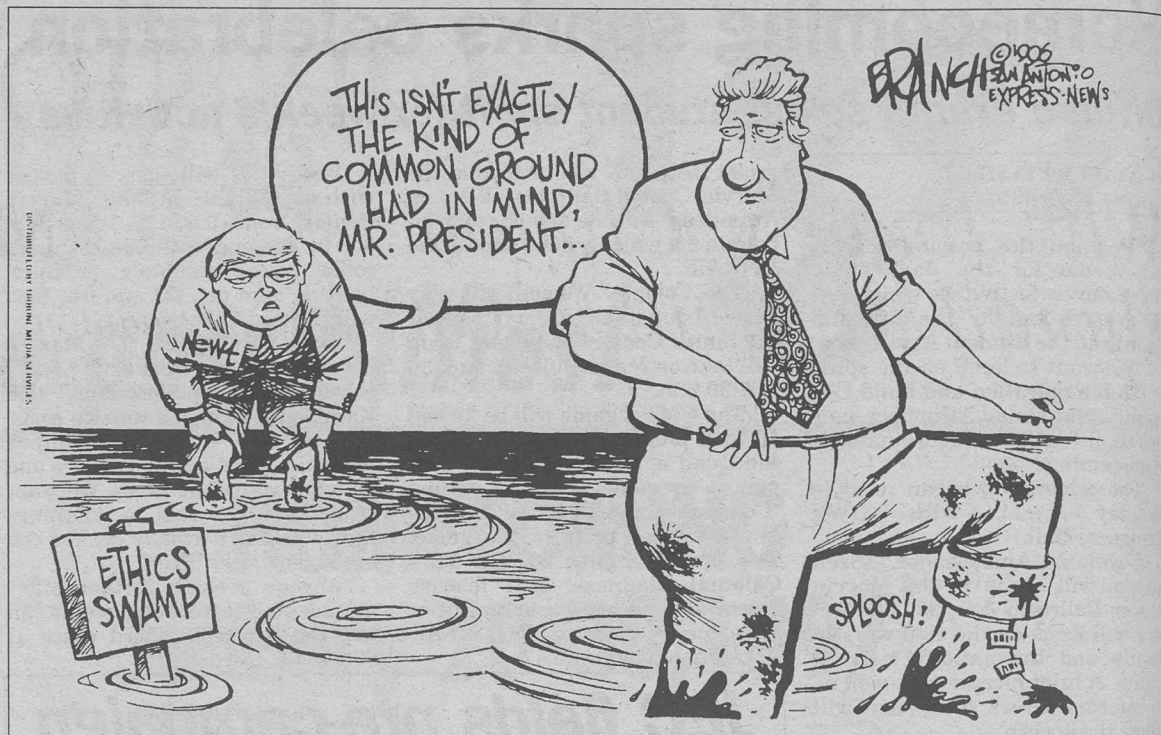
Foggy Bottom residents don't deserve this shoddy brand of representation. They should start a recall petition as soon as possible. Surely the community has other members who wouldn't shirk the responsibilities of the ANC because of petty personal squabbles. We hope someone has told Ward 2 D.C. Councilmember Jack Evans what's going on, too, because the city needs to know that one of its governing bodies isn't operating properly.

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PB does not effectively enhance the graduate student experience

I write regarding the recent GW Hatchet article concerning transfer of graduate student fees from the control of the Program Board ("Grads may slash PB funding," Jan. 16, front page). I am the president of the 110-member graduate student caucus in the political science department, and I strongly support this reallocation of authority.

As highlighted in the Hatchet article, graduate students contribute 40 percent of PB's annual budget, or more than \$80,000. Nevertheless, a great many graduate students cannot receive any benefit from their contribution. For example, fewer than 15 percent of the members of my organization, all of whom are registered students, live within walking distance of campus, while another 10 percent reside elsewhere within the District. Almost one quarter dwell in Maryland and fully half of the membership lives across the Potomac River in Virginia, myself included. A few, conducting research or working on dissertations, dwell outside the region. For the average grad student, just getting to class is a tremendous effort.

From what I read in The Hatchet, PB seems unable to justify its use of graduate student fees. The considerable contribution we make to the University should be put to effective use. Each year the PB's allocation to the grad students is decided in much the same way. This should be the year of transformation, of putting the funds where they can do some good!

The Hatchet's editorial opposed "jumping the gun" on moving graduate fees to the individual graduate schools. Twice the editorial stated that this would harm "the entire student body." But graduates consti-

tute two-thirds of that student body, and they would be far better benefited if the individual graduate schools controlled their own resources.

The PB has apparently staked out two defensive positions: first of all, that existing programs such as the Cinema and Drafthouse and the barbecue (for which we would have to make special trips to campus) should satisfy us; and secondly, that planning for graduates is just too hard.

The PB plainly cannot recognize graduate students' needs. Graduates are not just older undergraduates; many have families and careers. Our academic lives center on professional development, and our idea of "social programming" focuses on our fields of

study. All of us are here for specific reasons — to gain a competency, to enter a new field of employment or intellectual pursuit, to qualify for promotion in our current field.

We want something different in terms of programming. PB is composed of undergraduates who, however well-intentioned they may be, do not represent the entire GW student body. Nor is it accountable to students, undergraduate or graduate.

By all indications, PB performs an outstanding service for the undergraduate population at GW, and nothing in this letter is intended to denigrate that effort. Nevertheless, PB does not and cannot contribute to the graduate experience at this University. The time has come for the graduate population to benefit from their contribution. Shift control of our student fees now.

—Dan Else is chair of the Political Science Graduate Student Caucus.

Dan
Else

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Rip-off at J Street

It's a rip-off!

\$1.42 for a cup of coffee at J Street — and no sign, nothing to tell students how much they're paying for that coffee. There are no prices on the pastries either, incidentally.

A small sign above one of the machines says, "We are proud to serve Starbucks Coffee," implying you're getting an especially flavorful cup. Maybe we are. But if, as I believe, restaurant people figure you get up to 14 cups of coffee to a

pound, at five cents more a cup that would be 70 cents a pound more for the Starbucks. The same coffee sells at the Diner across the way for 99 cents a cup.

This is one reason so many students and other GW people go across to the 2000 Pennsylvania shopping complex or to other eating places along Pennsylvania Avenue.

I'd feel different if J Street meant a hundred or more students had a chance to work off their meals expense. But the unions

don't permit this.

My own comments over the past year or more have been received as "fun." I can just see the management types laughing themselves silly as they dump the basketful of your comments directly into the trash barrel.

So, as far as getting my present complaint addressed — don't hold your breath!

—Don Tobey
Foggy Bottom resident

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OPINION

Why Jones v. Clinton should wait 'till 2001

This week, the Supreme Court heard arguments from lawyers on behalf of President Clinton and Paula Jones. Ms. Jones is suing the President for sexual harassment and defamation of character originating from an alleged incident that took place while Clinton was governor of Arkansas. The Supreme Court must rule whether a sitting President should be required to answer a civil suit.

In my opinion, the Supreme Court should rule that the President need not answer such a suit until after his term has expired in January 2001. There are three

reasons for this conclusion. The first is that, as Clinton lawyer Bob Bennett argued, the President's time is too precious to deal with a relatively trivial civil matter. Granted, Justice Antonin Scalia observed that presidents play golf, chop wood and ride horses — but these are recreational activities that can be dropped at a moment's notice. It would be more difficult to get away from court that fast.

Second, this would set a dubious and precarious precedent. If the Court rules against the President, it could open the door to

a wide variety of civil suits for the slightest infraction. In a society that is already too willing to file lawsuits, the last thing we need is to draw the President into the mess.

Finally, bringing the President into court to answer to a civil suit will not only publicly embarrass the President in personal terms, but will embarrass the United States before the world and demean the office of the presidency.

Christopher Jenkins

The President runs the risk of appearing to be a weakened leader, both domestically and internationally. This could initiate a domino effect in terms of policy failures.

Therefore, for these reasons, this lawsuit can and should wait. It is not the case this time that justice delayed is justice denied. We as Americans have always been cautious about making sure that nobody is above the law, but we should give the sitting President a break. He will have plenty of time for this when he retires in 2001.

—Christopher Jenkins is a freshman majoring in political science and history.

MORE LETTERS

A proud tradition

For the record, Ebonics is not being taught to black children in Oakland, Calif., as implied in the Jan. 16 GW Hatchet editorial "Racial divide" (p. 4). Instead, educators are being taught to understand what their students are saying so they can show the children how to speak in proper English.

The editorial says, "Young people have their own subset of vocabulary ... when we speak in class or to adults at work, we use proper grammar." Who exactly are "we"? To many of these black children, Ebonics is the only form of language they know. Fifteen or 20 years from now when these children are rejected from job after job, it will be that same "we" that label them a burden on the system. Then the school system will be blamed for not doing anything to solve the problem when these people were students.

Black English is not what we consider proper English, but it is definitely not bad English. It is simply different English. If it is recognized as such and African-American students are positively encouraged to learn and use proper English, how can it possibly hurt them in the future?

No, W.E.B. Dubois did not write in Ebonics, but Paul Lawrence Dunbar, Zora Neale Hurston and countless others did. Are they not brilliant writers just the same? Black people do have a proud literary and oratory tradition and "improper grammar" has been a part of it. We will not tolerate anyone telling us the way we speak or write is wrong or bad.

I applaud the school system in Oakland. They have taken the initiative to make sure African-American children are prepared to be successful into the 21st century. Hopefully, more educators will look to Oakland as an example for encouraging young minds to succeed.

—Miya Wiseman
sophomore

Ebonics: the truth

When one reads the editorial ("Racial divide," p. 4) published in The GW Hatchet on Jan. 16, one tends to agree with the author. However, The Hatchet has misguided its readership to the greatest degree by introducing total lies into the debate of the Ebonics issue.

Where did you get your information from? It seems to be the

tendency of columnists to gain all their insight and knowledge from speculation and innuendo. As I read this article again and again, I see that there is not one shred of truth written.

Here is the truth about "Ebonics":

It was devised by the Oakland School Board to respond to the desperate need of their students.

It will not be taught to students by teachers, but rather taught to educators so they can better understand their students and teach them the "proper" way to speak in mainstream society. It is merely a tool to transform into common English the dialect such students have been speaking before they got into school.

Last week the Linguistic Society of America backed the Oakland School Board's intentions. The Jan. 6 Washington Post reported that society believes Ebonics should be a bridge to mainstream English.

I believe that The Hatchet's unprofessionalism has brought a great cloud over responsible journalism. Next time, research the facts so you won't misinform your readership ever again.

—Aaron K. Albright
sophomore

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Students breathe life into Dr. King's dream

Medal recipients offer local solutions to societal ills

BY FRANCESCA DI MEGLIO
HATCHET REPORTER

GW honored Monique Ayotte, Rusty Morgen Stahl and Akosua Achana Walker with the Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Medals in a ceremony Tuesday night in the

Marvin Center.

Tuesday night's program commenced with opening statements and welcoming remarks from University Marshal Jill Kastle and Rodney Salinas, one of last year's recipients.

According to GW President

Stephen Joel Trachtenberg, the purpose of the evening was to "focus, not on the problems of this world, but on their solutions." The awards are given annually to individuals committed to multiculturalism, peace, nonviolence, personal integrity, community and ethi-

cal or religious reflection.

Ayotte, a member of the GW Neighbors' Project and AmeriCorps, created an HIV awareness program as a high school freshman after her teacher died of AIDS.

According to the program for the awards ceremony, Ayotte's community service has included tutoring and mentoring young D.C. residents, specifically students at the Garnet-Patterson Middle School.

Ayotte said she was intimidated by her ignorance of the D.C. community when she first came to GW, but she was inspired by her friend Jeff Rickerts, also a past recipient of the King award. She said her dream for the future is an end to all poverty.

Stahl is a member of various campus organizations. He was a founder of the Student Action Alliance, the Community Circle Service Network and the D.C. Activist Circle. He is the vice chair of the National Youth for Democratic Action, and he co-coordinated Project Care to mobilize students to work with local senior citizens. He also is a member of the Black Peoples' Union and published the campus publication "Unfiltered."

Stahl quoted King and told audiences to remember, "After the final 'no', there is always a 'yes!'"

Walker is the president of BPU, a member of the National Society for Collegiate Scholars and a mem-

ber of the Omicron Delta Kappa Leadership Honor Society.

She was also a founding member of "In the Company of My Sisters," a GW dance troupe. Walker participated in a seminar in which she toured South Africa and Israel, and she has served on the Joint Committee of Faculty and Students, Student Leadership Conference Committee and the Student Action Alliance. She is also a tutor in the D.C. area.

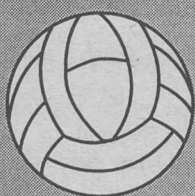
After graduation, Walker will work for Smith Barney in New York.

Walker accepted her award in "honor of those who guided her."

"The cause for which he lived is still a cause," Walker said of King. "His dream has not been completely filled ... Our mission is written in the blood of those who died before us."

The Eastern High School Choir performed at the ceremony just days after performing at the Presidential Inaugural Gala. Included in the choir was GW freshman and Eastern graduate Danielle Queen. Led by Director Joyce Garret, the choir received numerous standing ovations.

Following the ceremony, the recipients led audience members to the Quad for a candlelight procession. Many of the onlookers sang "We Shall Overcome" and "Amazing Grace" as they marched to the yard to hear the final prayer and closing comments from Salinas.

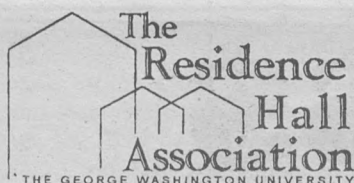


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Absenteeism plagues ANC commissioners

BY KEVIN ECKSTROM
SENIOR NEWS EDITOR

According to Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A Chair Sara Maddux, ANC meetings are usually associated with "extreme weather," but it seems extreme behavior may be more appropriate as the board was forced to cancel yet another meeting after three of the six commissioners failed to attend.

"It's another adventure with the ANC," Maddux said.

Four commissioners are required to have a quorum in order to conduct official business, but Commissioners Dorothy Miller, Maria Tyler and Bernard Mozer did not attend the Jan. 16 meeting.

In the past, Tyler and Miller have complained they were not given proper notice for the meetings and have left in protest. Maddux, however, said plenty of notice was given to all commissioners, and signs were posted throughout Foggy Bottom. She added that voters can demand recall elections if they think they are not being represented by their commissioners.

Maddux planned for the board to appoint a new chairperson from within the group at the meeting, but could not conduct any official business in the absence of a quorum.

"That will be something that the new commission, fully constituted, can take under consideration," she said. Maddux was visibly distressed by having to cancel yet another meeting.

"They (the absent commissioners) are shirking their duties," Maddux said. "They've been elected to appear, they've been elected to represent, they've been elected to cooperate and that is what they should be doing."

Tyler and Miller historically have



Tyson Trish/Visuals Editor
Commissioner Sara Maddux

been ornery members, and Maddux said their failure to show is because of a "personal agenda."

Maddux said there is nothing she or the ANC can do to force commissioners to attend meetings, but she said voters within each ANC district can ask the city for a recall election.

ANC Vice Chair Jean Swift said the inside politics of the ANC has left a bad taste in the mouth of the community and reflected badly on both Foggy Bottom and the commission.

"The community has suffered, the perception of the representations of we commissioners has suffered, and that makes us look ineffective," Swift said.

In other business, Maddux announced that the National Capital Planning Commission rejected plans submitted by the American Red Cross to enlarge its building on E Street. Maddux said if the building were expanded beyond its current size, residents of the Statesman and York apartment buildings on F Street, would lose light and air quality.

GW to offer summer paralegal classes

GW's Center for Career Education will offer summer classes for students interested in earning a legal assistant certificate.

The certificate program, which is approved by the American Bar Association, was founded in 1972 with the help of the GW Law School.

The Columbian School of Arts and Sciences now recognizes the program's core curriculum as a legal assistant studies minor through the sociology department.

All five courses required for the minor and sever-

al electives will be offered in the summer program.

"These courses provide a balance of concepts and practical applications," said Patsy Carr, manager of the legal assistant program. "It's a demanding endeavor, but well worth it. Beyond traditional law firm positions, graduates have taken diverse career paths in a variety of organizations."

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-Becky Neilson



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SPRING 1997 FRATERNITY RUSH SCHEDULE



SIGMA NU

January 24, Friday

MIDNIGHT BBQ AT SIGMA NU

Come to the Sigma Nu house at 2028 G St. and get a chance to meet the brothers of Sigma Nu. Midnight and all the free BBQ you can eat! Meet us in the lobby of Thurston and Adams at 11:45 PM.

January 25, Saturday

SOUTH OF THE BORDER NIGHT

Come for something spicy, and stay for something sweet. Meet at the house at 8:00 PM.

January 26, Sunday

SUPERBOWL PARTY!

Packers or Patriots, it doesn't matter because we've got the largest screen in Washington guaranteed. Plenty of hot wings at 5:00 PM.

January 27, Monday

HOAGIES, STOGIES AND SIGMA NU

Take a gamble at the Sigma Nu Casino, and win some incredible prizes. The floor opens at 8:30 PM. You don't want to miss the stogies and many o'hoagies!

January 28, Tuesday

AROUND THE WORLD

Come and enjoy our Italian feast and dine with the Knights of Sigma Nu. Meet at the house at 8:00 PM.

January 29, Wednesday

SIGMA NU'S SNEAK PREVIEW AND PIZZA

Join the Brothers at the house at 8:00, see a sneak preview of a movie, and hit our favorite pizzeria afterwards.

January 30, Thursday

COLONIAL BASKETBALL AND UMASS IN FULL EFFECT

We have our own section of seats for GW's biggest rival. Meet us at the house before the game at 7:00 PM.

January 31, Friday

NU NIGHT

Get to know the brothers in a more "formal" atmosphere. Food and beverages will be provided, and an invite is required. Time and further details to be announced.

LAMBDA CHI ALPHA

Saturday (1/25)

12:15 am DINER- Meet in front of Madison Hall

6:45 SPORTLAND- Meet in front of FSK Hall

Sunday (1/26)

5:30 pm SUPERBOWL- Meet in front of FSK Hall

Monday (1/27)

7:45 pm STOGIE - HOAGIE - POKER N.I.T.E. - Meet in front of FSK Hall

Tuesday (1/28)

7:45 pm POOL TOURNAMENT - Meet in front of FSK Hall

Wednesday (1/29)

O.O.O. (ONE ON ONE)- Call Darryl 676-2540 for more info.

Thursday (1/30)

UMASS VS GW BASKETBALL GAME- Call Darryl 676-2540 for more info.

Friday (1/31)

STAR WARS PARTY- meet at FSK hall at 8:45 pm

Saturday (2/1)

FOOTBALL- meet at FSK at 12:45

INVITE PARTY- By Invite Only 8:00 pm

BETA THETA PI

Saturday, January 25

HOME COMING BASKETBALL. Meet in front of Thurston at noon.

Sunday January 26

SUPERBOWL BBQ. meet in front of Thurston at 4:30pm.

Monday January 27

VEGAS NITE. Cards, cigars, snacks, and maybe a few surprises.

Meet in front of Thurston at 8:00 pm.

Tuesday January 28

BILLIARDS. Shoot stick with the Brothers. Meet in front of Thurston at 8:00pm.

Wednesday January 29

INFO SESSION. Your chance to ask some questions and get some

answers. Meet in front of Thurston at 7:00pm.

Thursday January 30

SPECIAL EVENT. (Invite Only)

Friday January 31

THE STARS OF BETA. (Invite Only)

For info call Erich at 496-2244, Rob at 337-1380

SIGMA CHI

Saturday 1/25, 9:30 PM:

POST HOMECOMING GAME CELEBRATION

Come by after the game and enjoy some free food and good times. Meet the Brothers for the first time, hang out and have a good time.

Sunday 1/26, 7:00 PM:

SUPER BOWL BASH!

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Monday 1/27, 7:00 PM:

SIGS FAVORITE MOVIES!

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Tuesday 1/28, 7:00 PM:

HOOTERS! HOOTERS! HOOTERS!

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Wednesday 1/29, 7:00 PM:

ROOM TO ROOM SMOKER!

Find out everything you ever wanted to know about Sigma Chi and more. Food and cigars will be here waiting as all your questions will finally be answered. All SERIOUS BIDSEEKERS should stop by the House.

Thursday 1/30, 9:00 PM:

SIGMA CHI GAMES!

Come and play some of our favorite homemade games. These are the games they left out of the Olympics. You won't want to miss this!

Friday 1/31, 1:30:

FOOTBALL WITH THE SIGS!

So it's not the Super Bowl, but meet at the House.. Wear your sweats and get ready to rumble.

Friday 1/31, 9:30 PM:

SEMI-FORMAL WITH KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA

Join us in a semi-formal reception at the House with the Lovely Ladies of Kappa Kappa Gamma. INVITE ONLY! Additional info, Patrick Macmanus at (202) 887-9149.

DELTA TAU DELTA

Sunday, January 26 5:00 PM:

WATCH THE SUPER BOWL ON THE BIG SCREEN

— Eat Pizza and Wings, meet the brothers, and watch the game

Monday, January 27 7:00 PM:

HOOTERS NITE

— Meet at the House at 7 to go for free food

Tuesday, January 28 8:00 PM:

USA BOWLING NITE

— Meet at the House at 8

Wednesday, January 29 7:30 PM:

BROTHER BASKETBALL NITE

— Test your skills during 3-on-3 games with the brothers

Friday, January 31 9:00 PM:

LOBSTER FEST '97

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THETA DELTA CHI

Saturday, Jan. 25th 12:00 am:

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Saturday, Jan. 25th 12:00 pm-?:

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Sunday, Jan. 26th 2:00 pm-?:

SUPERBOWL XXXI PARTY! 2207 K Street, Apartment #1

Monday, Jan. 27th evening:

SUPERBOWL PARTY! II 910 New Hampshire (Next to the 7-11)

Tuesday, Jan. 28th evening:

SUPERBOWL PARTY! III 2207 K Street, Apartment #1

Wednesday, Jan. 29th evening:

SUPERBOWL PARTY! IV (just in case you missed one) 910 New Hampshire

Thursday, Jan. 30th 7:00 pm:

RECOVERY DAY AND Q&A INTERVIEW SESSIONS WITH THE BROTHERS 2207 K Street, Apartment #1

Friday, Jan. 31st 9:00 pm:

ROAD TRIP... Invitation Only

Any questions about the schedule, rush, or the fraternity? Contact either Neil Smith, President of Theta Delta Chi at 293-1993 or Lucas Wooster, Rush Chairman of Theta

Delta Chi at 676-2366, FSK #309

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KAPPA SIGMA

Saturday, January 25 -- 8 pm

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2208 F Street - The Red House

Sunday, January 26 -- 6 pm

"SUPER BOWL SUNDAY"

T.G.I. Friday's Backroom

Monday, January 27 -- 7 pm

"POOL PARTY"

Georgetown Billiards (Meet at the "White House," 607 21st St. at 6:45!)

Tuesday, January 28 -- 8 pm

"AROUND THE WORLD OF KAPPA SIG"

White House

Wednesday, January 29 -- 6 pm

"ICE"

Meet at the White House

Thursday, January 30 -- 7:30 pm

"A TOUCH OF CLASS" -- Invite Only!!

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Friday, January 31 -- 10 pm

"HARDBALL" -- Invite Only!!

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ALPHA EPSILON PI

Saturday, January 25

AEPI FOOTBALL GAME

4:00 pm meet outside Thurston

Sunday, January 26

SUPER BOWL

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Tuesday, January 28

THE SMOKER

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Wednesday, January 29

INTERVIEW NIGHT AT THE TAN HOUSE

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Thursday, January 30

A NIGHT ON THE TOWN

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Friday, January 31

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Saturday, February 1

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Invite only. Meet at the House at 9:00 pm.

Sun., Jan. 26:

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Come and eat wings with the Brothers. Meet at the

House at 5:00 pm.

Mon., Jan. 27:

POKER SMOKER (fine cigars available).

Meet outside Thurston at 8:30 pm.

Tues., Jan. 28:

POOL TOURNAMENT WITH THE BROTHERS.

Meet at the House at 8:30 pm.

Wed., Jan. 29:

DINNER WITH THE PRESIDENT.

Invite only.

THURS., JAN. 30: SLOPPY PING PONG TOURNAMENT

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pm.

Fri., Jan. 31: ONLY ONE SHALL KNOW.

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WEEKEND



Nicole Kidman's Isabel Archer squirms under the affections of the intimidating Gilbert Osmond (John Malkovich).

James' Portrait lifeless on screen

BY NINA MEHTA
WEEKEND WRITER

Jane Campion first won international acclaim in 1993 with the moody and dark period piece *The Piano*. She attempts to recreate this mood and tone in her latest film, *The Portrait of a Lady* (Gramercy Pictures), but the new movie falls flat beneath its own weight.

The Portrait of a Lady, adapted from the classic novel by Henry James, is the story of a young American woman, Isabel Archer (Nicole Kidman), discovering her freedom and herself in late 19th century Europe.

The story is essentially timeless — the confusion that Isabel feels between her passion for freedom and her security is something all women experience.

The film begins with Isabel turning down the marriage proposal of an English aristocrat in favor of experiencing life to the fullest. She finds some unlikely allies in her decision, including her uncle (played by the brilliant John Gielgud of *Arthur*) and her cousin Ralph (Martin Donovan of *Amateur*).

(See KIDMAN'S, p. 2)

GNP recycles prez jokes at Bayou

BY TONY HILTON
WEEKEND WRITER

The Gross National Product comedy players must have been overjoyed on Inauguration day. The reelection of Bill Clinton will give them four more years to collect tired material and old jokes for their political satires.

"Hell to the Chief," the group's latest political satire comedy revue at the Bayou, insults everything from the President to the election to Congress.

The show begins with Clinton's Inauguration, with the comedian playing Clinton replacing phrases like "defend the Constitution" with "amend the Constitution." After a brief speech that pokes fun at the usual Clinton topics, such as the Gennifer Flowers scandal, the satire continues by making fun of Hillary and then every other member of government.

The show's heart is in the right place, and the cast has talent, but many of the jokes are trite and don't hold up to the level of comedians such as George Carlin. Many parts are entertaining and funny, such as the audi-

(See JOKES, p. 2)

Staying in can be fun when it's cold outside

BY ERIN J. PIETROWSKI
WEEKEND WRITER

While enjoying the Inaugural festivities this past weekend, most spectators left with a profound impression of the historic experience: It's cold in Washington in winter. Bitterly cold. Of course that's nothing new to GW students. When the cold hits, we stay in our extremely toasty residence hall rooms for days, almost afraid to venture outdoors.

When this occurs, we need something to do. There's only so much studying one can do. So when the "I-cannot-look-at-one-more-textbook-but-it's-too-damn-cold-to-go-out!" virus strikes, try one of these options.

Read a book, play a game, watch a movie

There's always the easy cure of choosing bestsellers and new releases. Pick up that intriguing science fiction/fantasy or trashy romance novel and curl up with a cup of cocoa. Any Stephen King or Mary Higgins Clark novel or a book off the fiction best-seller list could fit the bill.

How about the perfect movie to take your mind off school and cold? The new video release *The Island of Dr. Moreau*, starring Val Kilmer, or the classic *Jaws* starring Roy Scheider, are only a few that offer lush landscapes and sweating actors. If you don't want to experience the cold firsthand, but enjoy watching others suffer through it, rent *Alive* or *The Shining*.

The ever-reliable board game has traveled with us from our childhood to now. You may use Twister for different things these days, but you can always go back to the basics. Invite a couple friends over for a boisterous game of Trivial Pursuit, Monopoly or cards. If you're a fierce competitor, the game might heat you up.

Make a culinary creation

If you still don't want to leave your residence hall, creating a unique dish



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Renting a movie about a tropical island paradise may be just enough to warm you up this month.

might be the cure for winter blues. If you have access to a blender, throw in some sorbet, yogurt or frozen yogurt, mix with fresh fruit like strawberries or bananas and add a little ice to produce a creamy but cold drink. Ready-made cookie dough from the refrigerated section of Safeway also may be a prescription for the cold, raw or baked.

Try a healthy snack of baked apples to rev you up. Peel an apple, core it and add a mixture of butter, cinnamon, nutmeg, raisins or whatever you like to the center of the apple. Put the apple in the microwave for two to three minutes.

Plan a party

Parties are something you and your friends will have fun preparing and won't cost too much if you get your creative juices flowing rather than freezing. Theme parties can take place anywhere, and an entire floor of a residence hall can participate. Here's the scenario: There's one main theme for the entire party, but each room contains a variation on the theme, including food, decorations, music and movies.

A friend at another university told me about a "Six Degrees of Kevin Bacon" party she attended. Each

room had a different Kevin Bacon movie theme, from *Footloose* to *A Few Good Men*, complete with food and decorations.

The possibilities for theme parties are endless. Can you imagine rooms decorated like different Disney animated films? *The Little Mermaid* room could offer seafood cuisine, while a *Beauty and the Beast* room boasts French crêpes. Or you can design your own dance club, with each participating room playing a different genre of music, from disco to hip-hop.

Find food and fun within two blocks

In this weather, no one wants to walk more than two blocks, right? So how about finding a place to eat on campus that serves great food?

The closest place to campus that offers hot, yummy, probably-bad-for-you food is Lindy's Bon Appetit and Red Lion Pub, at 2024 I St., by Tower Records. The menu selection includes more than 20 different hamburgers to get you in the summer spirit, such as the Acapulco (guacamole, lettuce, tomato), the Southwestern (chili, onions, American cheese) and Lindy's Redskins (salsa, tangy nacho cheese).

After a hearty meal, what else can you do on campus? The Dimock Gallery, downstairs in Lisner Auditorium, is open Tuesday-Friday, from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m., and also during some special events held at Lisner. The current show, "Landscapes of Corfu, 1996" continues through Jan. 31. The landscapes of the island of Corfu, Greece, will take your mind off the weather if nothing else does.

As for comedy and theater at GW, every Friday night at midnight you can laugh the cold away at "Recess," GW's own improv-comedy troupe. For all you *Star Wars* fanatics out there, Recess is having a special "Star Wars Tribute" Thursday, Jan. 30, the day before the opening of the remastered blockbuster.



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Lindy's Bon Appetit offers a long menu and a short walk for hungry and cold GW students.

Hip-hop masters DAS EFX headline party

BY LESLY HALLMAN
WEEKEND WRITER

True hip-hop fans will have the chance to hear one of New York City's most ground-breaking rap groups when DAS EFX appears as part of GW's Homecoming 1997 this weekend.

Back in 1992, DAS EFX caused a major commotion in the hip-hop world with the group's lyrically stimu-

lating and commercially successful debut album, *Dead Serious* (EastWest). The album sold more than one million copies.

The ridiculous combinations of everyday phrases, product slogans, TV or movie theme songs and made-up words quickly became the lyrics heard on everyone's lips. Since then, the rap duo has gone through a musical evolution with two more albums: *Straight Up Sewaside*

(EastWest) in 1993 and last year's *Hold It Down* (EastWest).

The second two albums have not been commercially successful, but have reached iconic status in the rap world. *Hold It Down* reached only No. 10 on Billboard's rap album chart, with the single "Microphone Master" featuring Mobb Deep reaching only No. 37.

The group has definitely weaned itself from its cliché-filled rhymes of the past, but it maintains its status as true hip-hop pioneers in today's Little Kim, Jay-Z world of rap. DAS EFX has dropped its stream of consciousness approach to music, but the group's ability to innovate with words alone continues on the latest release.

These days the rhymes are easier to keep up with and still fresh to the ear. On *Hold It Down*'s first release, "The Real Hip-Hop," Books and Crazy Drayz exclaim, "Connecting rhymes like Lego/So Leggo my Eggo/I'll burn you up like Waco."

DAS EFX's ability to combine the style popularized by the group's first album while discussing everyday life and events will keep it on the hit lists for true rap fans for years to come. DAS EFX plays the post-Homecoming game party in the Marvin Center Ballroom Saturday night. Also appearing is DJ Jase of NYC's Apollo Theater. Tickets are \$3 for GW students, \$5 for college students with ID and \$8 for the general public.

Kidman's Lady shines in Portrait

(from p. 1)

Upon her uncle's death, Isabel inherits a large fortune that enables her to realize her dream of a world tour. However, this good fortune is only the beginning of a destructive chain of events involving the mysterious Madame Merle (Barbara Hershey of *Beaches*) and the equally dark, if not darker, Gilbert Osmond (John Malkovich of *In the Line of Fire*).

The film is just as visually affecting as *The Piano*. Campion brings a sensual quality to the story and its characters through crooked and quick camera angles. She also keeps true to the time period by combining old newsreel film practices with the regular film footage.

Kidman is brilliant as the independent Isabel Archer. She proves once again that she is more than just Tom Cruise's wife. She is a talented actress in her own right. The film is also highlighted by the small but bright performance by Gielgud.

All of these positive aspects do not make up for the fact that the movie is too long and tiresome, however. The story is slow and the pace of the movie does nothing to draw in the audience.

This is coupled with Malkovich's extremely vapid and lifeless performance as Osmond. He plays the same character he did in *Dangerous Liaisons* and *In the Line of Fire*, and without any improvement. Campion was originally considering William Hurt for the part of Osmond and Malkovich for Ralph, but changed her mind. The *Portrait of a Lady* is now playing in theaters.


Jokes heard before

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ence participation skits, but much of the humor is old hat that many would recognize if they saw it. Many parts, such as the parody of The White House as an episode of "Beverly Hills 90210" or Bill Clinton as James Bond, seem to have been done before and are just being repeated to death.

The cast itself is an ensemble of talented people. One of the members could pass as Dana Carvey in looks as well as demeanor. The comedians do a decent job of playing their characters and pull the jokes off well. It is fun to watch them work even if the jokes they are telling have been recycled.

At this point in the winter season, it's way too cold to intentionally head out to the Bayou. "Hell to the Chief" is certainly not worth freezing one's butt off for. If you happen to pass by the club and you have nothing better to do, drop in for the show. It will help pass the time. Otherwise, don't bother. Gross National Product's "Hell to the Chief" continues indefinitely every Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at the Bayou, 3135 K St., N.W. Tickets are \$18 and reservations can be made by calling (202) 783-7212.




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Crowd: Strictly Hillites and mostly middle-aged.
Getting in: The Bar Belle and her gang got in without a second glance, but were carded at the table.
Prices: About what you'd expect. A pint of stout or cider costs \$4; a glass of Bailey's Irish Cream on the rocks is \$5.
Food: The restaurant in the next room serves your basic pub fare, but the kitchen didn't seem to stay open too late.
Dancing: The Bar Belle hears they sometimes have traditional set dancing, but the only feet moving when she was there were under the tables.
Pick-ups: Nah. Ted Kennedy's wife keeps pretty close tabs on him these days.
Pluses: Guinness is always a plus. Fun drinking songs, too.
Minuses: Not the rowdiest Irish pub the Bar Belle's seen.

The Dubliner is right beside the larger, rowdier Irish Times, and it looks quiet from the street. You might be tempted to bypass it and go straight next door, but don't — the Dubliner is an authentic Irish pub, definitely worth the trip. (Plus, from what the Bar Belle's heard, the Irish Times is just the latest hangout for Georgetown freshmen, anyway.)

The Dubliner's decor is typical — dark varnished walls and dim lighting. Guinness stout is, of course, a favored house beverage — those famous "Guinness is good for you" posters with toucans balancing pints on their beaks are hanging all over the bar.

Other than that, the drink choice is easy — beer, cider or whiskey? Irishmen don't fool around with cocktails. For those who want to try something lighter, a Shandy — beer mixed with lemon-lime soda is a good bet.

Musicians perform traditional Irish music every night. The Bar Belle's group sang along with a bearded man with a brogue and a guitar. He played requests, too, so if you have a favorite drinking song, be sure to ask for it.

Go early — you can take the Metro to Union Station, and from there the walk is only a short block. After midnight, plenty of cabs wait outside to take you (and those soused Georgetown freshmen next door) back uptown.

The Dubliner seems pretty laid-back, so you should be prepared to have an evening that's somewhat on the quiet side. But people were singing along and clapping in time to the music, so the Bar Belle's going back soon to see if she can catch anyone dancing on a table.

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Fri. 2:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30
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People v. Larry Flint (R)
Fri.-Sat. 1:30, 5:00, 7:50,
10:40 (10:45 a.m. Sat.)
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Mother (PG-13)
Fri. 1:45, 5:15, 7:40, 10:00
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Jerry Maguire (R)
Fri. 1:15, 4:45, 7:45, 10:40
Sat. 10:40, 1:30, 4:45, 7:45,
10:40
Sun. 1:30, 4:45, 7:40, 10:30
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In Love and War (PG)
Fri.-Sun. 1:15, 5:00, 7:30,
9:50 (10:15 a.m. Sat.)
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Evita (PG-13)
Fri. 1:45, 4:20, 7:15, 10:10
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Sun. 1:15, 4:15, 7:15, 10:10
Mon.-Thurs. 4:45, 7:20, 9:55

Fierce Creatures (PG-13)
Fri. 1:00, 3:00, 5:15, 7:30, 9:40
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Fri.-Sun. 1:15, 5:20, 8:00, 10:30
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Fri.-Sun. 2:00, 5:30, 8:10, 10:25
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Fri.-Sun. 1:00, 4:10, 7:00, 10:40
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Fri.-Sun. 1:10, 4:40, 7:40, 10:50
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Fri.-Sun. 1:50, 5:10, 7:50, 10:35
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Fri.-Sun. 1:30, 10:10
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Fri.-Sun. 1:20, 4:30, 7:35, 10:45
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Fri.-Sun. 4:25, 7:10
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Fri. 4:40, 7:10
Sat. 2:10, 7:10
Sun.-Thurs. 4:45, 7:15, 9:45
(2:15 Sun.)

Looking for Richard (PG-13)
Fri. 7:05
Sat. 2:05, 7:05
Sun.-Thurs. 4:35, 7:05, 9:35
2:05 Sun.)

Trees Lounge (R)
Fri.-Sat. 4:35, 9:35
Sun.-Thurs. 4:55, 7:25, 9:55
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GW experts envision Clinton's second term

BY MATTHEW KWAN
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

As President Bill Clinton returns to work after the excitement of Monday's Inauguration, Americans are looking ahead to his next four years in The White House.

Many GW professors predict that Clinton's second administration will get off to a much smoother start than his first term did in 1993.

Dennis Johnson, associate dean of the Graduate School of Political Management, said Clinton is "finally over his on-job training and now has an institutional and political grasp on the office of the presidency."

"He's a bit more experienced, and the mistakes (of the first administration) will not characterize his second term," said Steven Livingston, acting director of GW's political communication program. "This is reflected in his selection of staff, which has been much smoother."

Political science professor Forrest Maltzman predicted that Clinton "will try to make his legacy by balancing the budget."

"Entitlement reform will be another big issue, though not one that's easy to solve," Maltzman added.

Johnson said that in addition to balancing the budget, Clinton's domestic policies also will involve fine-tuning welfare reform and, "if he has the wherewithal," addressing health care reform again.

However, history professor Leo Ribuffo said Clinton's second term will be "pretty bland."

"I don't think Clinton has any legislative agenda," Ribuffo said.

GW professors also noted Clinton's attempt to bridge differences with the Republican party. Johnson said that there will be "more comity between Congress and The White House."

"(Clinton is) significant in the short run for moving the Democratic Party to the right," Ribuffo said. But he added that he thinks Clinton's presidency will be "inconsequential in the long run."

Maltzman said he expects "some cooperation between Congress and the President," but that relations will "deteriorate to partisan bickering in the long term."

"It's easier to cooperate when there is no impending election," Maltzman said.

Johnson added that ethical issues will continue to plague Clinton's second term. He said the funding controversy involving the Democratic National Committee "will be a hot issue."

He added that the outcome of the Supreme Court case involving Paula Jones also will be pivotal in terms of deciding whether the president can be sued.

On the foreign policy front, Johnson said Clinton's administration will take a more unified approach this time.

"(U.S. foreign policy) depends on how Clinton's nominees for Secretary of State, Madeleine Albright, and Secretary of Defense, William Cohen, get along," Johnson said.

He added that because Albright believes the United States has "the responsibility to lead around the world," the United States will be less reluctant to be involved in areas such as Bosnia.

The professors predicted Clinton's second term will be uneventful overall.

Maltzman said that because "Clinton has set a modest agenda," he expects Clinton will have a "fair and reasonable chance of meeting expectations."

Ribuffo said Clinton will be "a perfectly average president in the long haul."

Governing Board backs MC student space

The Marvin Center Governing Board passed a resolution at its meeting Friday supporting student organization use of the Marvin Center.

The resolution, which passed five to three, stemmed from complaints that administrative offices are moving into offices that were once reserved for student groups.

According to the resolution, which was introduced by MCGB undergraduate Rep. Rusty Stahl

(at large), the Governing Board does not support "the move, expansion or continued use of the Marvin Center by administrative offices."

The Governing Board is granted the authority by the Vice President for Student and Academic Support Services to allot space to student organizations.

-Becky Neilson

Do This!

January 23 - 26

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GW'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

HOMECOMING EVENTS: January 23 - 26.

Comedy Night, January 24, Lisner Auditorium, 8:00 PM.

Men's and Women's Basketball vs La Salle, 2:00 PM and 4:30 PM, Smith Center.

'Post Game Party with Das EFX., 9:00 PM, Marvin Center Ballroom.

For more information, call 994-6555 or 994-7313

THURSDAY, JANUARY 23

GW BASKETBALL. Doubleheader. Women vs Duquesne, 5:00 PM, Men vs Xavier, 8:00 PM. Smith Center. Students are free with a valid ID.

HILLEL. Tu B'Shevat Seder, 2300 H Street, 7:00 PM. Info? Contact Leah at 676-7793.

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BY SUSAN SCHULTZ
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

The Moot Court Board of the GW Law School presented a "supreme" opportunity Wednesday for the four finalists in their annual competition.

The students were judged by U.S. Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia, U.S. Court of Appeals Judge Samuel A. Alito and Judge Cameron McGowan Currie of the U.S. District Court for South Carolina.

The competition, which estab-

lished the Jacob Burns Van Vleck award in 1973, began in September 1996.

One hundred forty law students researched a case chosen by the competition's co-chairs, Laura Dailey and Julie Anna Potts. The students formed 72 teams in the

preliminary competition. After several rounds, each of the eight remaining teams submitted two 24-page briefs.

The eight teams were judged by local lawyers and judges who selected two teams to compete in the final competition.

The case concerned a fictional school, Frontier State University, which expelled a student accused of sending "hate mail" over the Internet. The case brought out the issues of discrimination, freedom of speech and regulation of the Internet.

In the finals, Marybeth Ayres and Patricia LaBorde represented the petitioner, and Michael J. Lewis and David Molot represented the respondent. The teams' briefs were sent to the justices for review prior to the competition.

Each side was given 20 minutes for its arguments and a brief period for rebuttal.

The participants met with tough questions from the justices. "At first arguing in front of a Supreme Court Justice and the other judges was intimidating," LaBorde said. "But then once I was up there I was more relaxed."

LaBorde also said that the judges gave positive feedback.

After a 25-minute deliberation, the judges reached a decision. The verdict was in favor of the fictional student in the case.

After announcing the verdict, the judges gave feedback to the competitors.

"This competition was not much different from the real thing," Scalia said. "As a bit of advice, once you open your mouth you are at the mercy of the court."

Currie, a GW alumna, added that the students were well prepared, poised and thought quickly on their feet in response to some difficult questions.

"This was a difficult case because it was so close, even after reading the briefs," Alito said. "The respondents, Molot and Lewis, had a much harder case to make."

Speaking for Frontier State University, Molot said, "The justices did an excellent job and didn't show their true opinions."

"After arguing the case five or six times in previous months this competition was a culmination of comments from judges as well as students that definitely improved my argument," he added.

"The participants did a fabulous job, especially with the difficult degree of questions," Dailey said.

Ruth Ku, a first year GW Law School student, said, "This is a typical display of the Socratic method used in law classes with the counsel and justices constantly conversing."

John Donboli, another GW Law student, said, "This competition was a good education in law."

1997 Green University Environmental Research Competition

Attention Students - Call for Abstracts

The GW Institute for the Environment is announcing a call to students for abstracts for the 1997 Green University Environmental Research Competition. Abstracts may either be for the poster session or the essay competition. Deadline for submission is Monday, February 24, 1997. Notification of acceptance will be made by Monday, March 3, 1997. Guidelines for posters and essays will be distributed with acceptance letters.

The 1997 Green University Environmental Research Competition will take place on Friday, April 18, 1997, as part of our Earth Week Celebration. The Competition will be judged by GW faculty and regional experts on the research areas that are selected, and prizes will be awarded through the GW Institute for the Environment for both the poster and essay competitions.

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Parker victim's full scholarship stands

BY JIM GERAGHTY
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

The scholarship GW offered to the victim of convicted sex felon Richie Parker still stands, but University officials do not know whether she will apply for admission this fall.

This contradicts a story in the Jan. 9 edition of The Baltimore Sun that said, "Above all, there's the victim, who reportedly switched schools twice, saw her grades plummet and isn't sure whether a scholarship offer from George Washington still holds."

University officials disagree with that statement, stating that they are proceeding with the admission process normally.

"As the University promised, over the summer we forwarded all applications, admissions and financial aid materials to the victim's attorney," GW Director of Public Affairs Mike Freedman said. "We're following through with our agreement with her as promised."

Parker, a 6-5 high school basketball phenom and convicted sex felon, visited the GW campus in May 1995 after being turned away by Seton Hall University and the University of Utah. Shortly after the visit, GW men's basketball head coach Mike Jarvis confirmed he was recruiting Parker with the University's blessing.

Parker and another student were charged with sodomy for forcing a 15-year-old female student into performing oral sex in a hallway of their high school. Parker pled guilty to first-degree sexual abuse and received five years' probation.

In the midst of a firestorm of harsh criticism from media, stu-

dents and alumni, GW announced that it was extending a scholarship offer to the victim.

The victim's civil suit against Parker was settled out of court after Parker apologized to her in a telephone call and pledged an undisclosed portion of his future earnings to her. After Parker's apology, GW attorney Linda Schutjer reached the victim's attorney with an offer for a full four-year academic scholarship.

After administrators notified Parker that his candidacy for admission was no longer being considered, they said the victim's scholarship offer would still stand, provided she maintained the academic performance necessary for admission to GW.

Freedman said GW had not received an application from the woman, as far as he knew. However, this year GW has received a record number of applications.

"I have no reason to believe that anything is in jeopardy. Nobody's changed their mind about anything," Freedman said. "We have no decision to make at this point."

Parker spent last academic year at Mesa Community College in Mesa, Ariz. At the end of last year, he transferred to Long Island University in New York City, where he joined the basketball program with little criticism or excitement. He has had an up-and-down year with the Blackbirds.

The acclaimed Parker is not even the leading scorer on the team. He is behind Charles Jones, who leads the nation with 447 points in 15 games for an astounding 29.8 points-per-game average.

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Senior's marrow saves girl

GW student comes face to face with a friend for life

BY BECKY NEILSON
ASST. NEWS EDITOR

"Amazing" is the way GW senior Wendy Leatherberry described her Christmas meeting with the New York girl whose life she saved with her bone marrow donation.

One year after Katie Goldberger, 18, of Vestal, N.Y., underwent a bone marrow transplant, she and Leatherberry met at Leatherberry's Ohio home.

Regulations of the American Red Cross Marrow Donor Program, which matched Leatherberry's and Goldberger's marrow, prevent donors and patients from meeting until a year after the operation. Goldberger received the transfusion on Jan. 5, 1996.

"The moratorium on personal meetings is mostly to protect the donor, so you sort of have to accept it," Leatherberry said. "But Katie and I were both very pushy and wanted to know each other's identities. They let us meet before Jan. 5 (1997) because she's doing so well."

Goldberger was diagnosed with leukemia the second week of her senior year in high school and given only a 10 percent chance to live without a transplant. She is now in remission, though Leatherberry notes that doctors will not say she is "cured" until she has been in remission for five years.

"Katie's doing really well," Leatherberry said. "She graduated on time with her class last spring, even though she wasn't able to go

to school, and she's planning to go to college next fall. She's taking some classes at SUNY Binghamton this spring."

Leatherberry first became involved with the marrow donor program during her freshman year at GW at a marrow drive at Hillel.

A year and a half later, Leatherberry learned that her marrow had passed preliminary tests as a match for Goldberger, a varsity basketball and tennis player. Secondary tests confirmed that she was a good match, and the marrow "harvest" was done at a hospital in Cleveland last winter.

Only one in 200,000 patients find bone marrow matches. Leatherberry said that is because the number of people registered as bone marrow donors is still small.

The Red Cross operates a hotline for people interested in donating marrow. The number, 1-800-MARROW2, provides information on marrow donation and connects interested donors to the program's registry.

Leatherberry said siblings are often good matches, but Goldberger's 15-year-old brother, Sam, had only a 25 percent chance to be a successful donor for his sister.

Goldberger and Leatherberry corresponded several times after the transplant, but all their letters were screened by the Red Cross, and they did not know each other's identities until they arranged to meet in December.

Goldberger, her parents and her brother flew to Cleveland to meet Leatherberry the day after Christmas. The girls' first meeting was highly publicized, a move intended to highlight the need for marrow donors.

"There were four TV crews, a (Cleveland) Plain-Dealer reporter, a photographer and a radio crew," Leatherberry said. "One of the TV stations did a live feed from our house. It was surreal."

After the Goldbergers spent three days in Ohio, Leatherberry flew back with them to celebrate the new year in New York. Leatherberry said Goldberger is planning a trip to Washington later this spring.

Leatherberry, an English major, is back on the Red Cross' donor registry now, a year after Goldberger's transplant, and said she would definitely donate again.

She encourages interested donors to register with the Red Cross' marrow donor program.

"The program is really great about everything," Leatherberry said. "They're just really supportive."

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Lewis faces possible penalty over e-mail

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Admissions. Its primary purpose is to arrange overnight hosts for prospective students and to make phone calls to students who have expressed an interest in GW.

SNAP's co-chair, Andrea Snyder, refused to comment. Miller and Snyder are paid by the admissions office.

In the Joint Elections Committee preliminary rules, it states that "... there may be no unsolicited e-mail of a personal nature."

The penalty for the violation is a \$25 fine.

JEC Chair Christopher Moody said he believes there is a possible violation. "If (Miller) used their (SNAP) e-mail list, it would not be allowed," Moody said.

Miller also said that because Lewis has not yet officially filed his petition for candidacy, and the rules have not been finalized, the JEC would need to deliberate whether a rule had been violated.

Lewis said he has not had the opportunity to inform his supporters of the rules. "It is very difficult, given the strict time constraints, to inform my supporters," he said.

He also said he was not sure how the JEC would rule, if a complaint was filed.

The deadline for candidates to officially file their petitions for office is Friday at 5 p.m. The final JEC rules also will be available Friday.

GW, NIH credit union relationship may be in jeopardy

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and chief executive officer, said banks want to take the choice away from the public.

"We provide the balance," she said. "If credit unions are eliminated, banks will be able to charge much higher interest rates on loans because the competition will no longer be there."

Alexander said in last week's Post article that she is willing to try to set up a subsidiary to do the administrative work if GW decides to create its own credit union in the event that the courts rule against the credit unions.

"This comes more from my heart than from my head," Alexander said. "But I believe that credit unions will prevail in providing the choice for the American public."

The NIH Federal Credit Union provides service to more than 12,000 GW students and employees, Alexander said.

Error overloads popular teacher's class

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remain in the section taught by Roberts rather than attend the same class taught by Terry Michaels, a professor who was hired to teach the new section.

Michaels was unavailable for comment.

Harmanos said he is not necessarily upset that he was dropped from the class, but that he was dropped while students with fewer earned credit hours stayed in the section taught by Roberts.

Professor Steven Livingston, interim director of the political communication program, said after Roberts alerted him that he did not even have enough seating for his 47 students, it was decided by the School of Media and Public Affairs to transfer everyone who registered for the class after the first 21 students to a new section.

"The key to the success of the class is found in the small size of the class," Livingston said. He said SMPA and the dean's office of CSAS

decided to "divide the class between two prominent and highly regarded professors into two sections of 21 students, who ... if they gave it time, would be sufficiently happy with both classes."

Still, Harmanos said taking the class from someone other than Roberts would be like "putting two Corvettes next to each other that looked the same, except one has a Corvette engine and the other has the engine of a Pinto."

"It's grossly unfair to seniors who have waited a number of semesters to take this course. A more equitable course could have been taken."

Roberts, a former senior writer for *U.S. News and World Report* and now a columnist for the *New York Daily News* with his wife Cokie (of ABC News), said he is "flattered" by the desire to take his class but he is powerless to do anything.

"This is simply too many ... I had kids sitting on the floor and literally sitting in the

hallway," Roberts said. "There's no way I could teach that many."

"I'm deeply flattered that so many wanted to take my class, and I'm thrilled that it's a class so many people find appealing, but to be that way it has to be limited."

CSAS Associate Dean Norayr Khatcheressian said the matter will be handled by Associate Dean Richard Tollo, who was out sick when Harmanos submitted the complaint.

Khatcheressian said he did not know the procedure for processing such a complaint, but said dropping the 21 students was "the most equitable way" to handle the situation, since no rule exists that seniors have priority for the class over other undergraduates.

"We feel we have been denied our right to take this course taught by Mr. Roberts," Harmanos wrote in his complaint, "because of the administrative mistake and by the unfair selection process of dividing the class."

Revelers pack Marvin Center for Inauguration celebration

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"The preeminent mission of our new government," Clinton said, "is to give all Americans an opportunity — not a guarantee, but a real opportunity — to build better lives."

"It was very good," said Thad Vincent, another Inaugural onlooker, of Clinton's speech. "I liked the way he challenged people in the very beginning about how we have to make decisions about going forward into the next century, that at the end of one century you have to start making choices about the challenges of the new century."

At GW's Inaugural Ball Monday night, students, faculty and alumni made use of two dance floors, enjoyed a variety of catered foods

and beverages and posed for pictures with caricature likenesses of President Clinton and First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton.

Revelers packed the third floor ballroom, where the band Odyssey played a variety of popular hits, and the Columbian Square, where a GW student band, King James and the Serfs of Swing, performed.

GW President Stephen Joel Trachtenberg and D.C. Mayor Marion Barry were among those who attended the event.

Some partygoers were forced to wait almost an hour to pick up their coats at the end of the evening, and many raised questions about the logistics of the event. But event coordinator Jodi Reborchick said she was pleased with the

event that "went very smoothly." She added that she is "grateful for all of the people who had a hand in helping."

During the Inauguration earlier that day Harry Jones, an Emergency Medical Service worker for Loudoun County, said, "There seemed to be less people here than last time," and he had only heard of one report of someone being removed from the Inauguration.

In one of the standing sections on the Capitol grounds, the view was somewhat obstructed by trees. Freshman Michael Smith said, "You look at the stage, and you saw some movement, but you couldn't really tell (what was going on)."

But Smith said he didn't mind. "I would definitely do it again if I had the chance."

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SPORTS

Women stay unbeaten in A-10

3-0 trip is a nice prelude to upcoming home stretch

BY BEN OSBORNE
SPORTS EDITOR

The GW women's basketball team, winners of the last two Atlantic 10 Conference regular season titles, is up to its old tricks. With three conference victories in the last week, the Colonial Women are now 6-0 in the conference and sitting in first place again.

Overall, the team is 11-4 and is in the midst of a 10-1 streak. Despite a surprising lack of respect being shown in the Associated Press Top 25 rankings (only one vote in Monday's poll), head coach Joe McKeown said he likes where his team stands.

"We've earned the position we have now in the A-10. In the national rankings, I think it's often done by sportswriters who don't really have that much knowledge of the sport," McKeown said. "The NCAA selection committee will have more information, so I'm not concerned about the AP poll."

GW 82, Virginia Tech 44

Playing in Blacksburg, Va., Tuesday night, GW dominated right from the start. Led by their frontcourt of Lisa Cermignano, Noelia Gomez and Tajama Abraham, the Colonial Women took a 49-23 lead at halftime, and increased that lead to 73-27 with 12 minutes remaining in the game.

Gomez scored a team-high 24 points in just 23 minutes, including six points in the doubt-ending run at the beginning of the second half. The junior forward added nine rebounds and continues to show her vast talents.

"Every day she gets better," McKeown said of his Spanish star. "It's not that the sport of basketball

is any different in Spain, but the American college game she had to adjust to. She's done that in great fashion."

Cermignano chipped in with 14 points, including four three-pointers, and Abraham got her usual double-double, with 12 points and 11 rebounds in just 19 minutes.

Taking advantage of his team's depth and the Lady Hokies' (6-11, 1-5 A-10) lack of it, McKeown instructed GW to speed the tempo, and his strategy worked to perfection.

"They were short-handed," he said. "We really wanted to run on offense and press on defense a lot early in the game."

The pressure helped GW score the first seven points of the game, and with 14:34 left in the first half Gomez scored on a jump shot to give her team a 16-5 lead. Virginia Tech was within 10 points for the last time.

GW 88, Xavier 60

The visiting Colonial Women withstood some early struggles with the Lady Musketeers Saturday, then used a 21-3 run in the first half to take an insurmountable 19-point lead into intermission.

Abraham was the story for GW. She began the big run with her first field goal of the game and went on to score a game-high 25 points. The senior center hit nine of her 16 shots from the floor, and was a near-perfect 7-8 from the free throw line.

Cermignano had four three-pointers and was second on the team with 18 points. She also played a team-high 38 minutes, a trend that developed early in the season.

"I've got to have Lisa on the floor," McKeown said. "Her floor game is so complete. I'd say she is the best passer in the country who's not a point guard." She dished out nine assists against Xavier.

GW maintained and then expanded its lead in the second half with help from its bench, as reserve guards Marlo Egleston and Tami McGlynn scored six and five points, respectively.

GW 74, Dayton 60

Beginning its road excursion with the closest game of the trip, GW allowed Dayton to stay close but never lost control in the Jan. 16 game.

Ahead 37-29 at the half, the Colonial Women scored the first 10 points of the second half to put the game out of Dayton's reach. Gomez scored five of the points during the run, and she had 21 for the game.

While the second half featured a balanced attack, Abraham dominated the first half. She scored 16 of her game-high 25 points in the first stanza, and grabbed seven of her game-high 11 rebounds.

GW also got 13 points from freshman guard Chasity Myers and four points and eight assists from senior point guard Colleen McCrea.

GW returned from Virginia Tech early Wednesday morning, and McKeown is looking forward to the comfort of two home games this weekend. The Colonial Women will take on Duquesne Thursday at 5 p.m., and then battle La Salle at 4:30 p.m. Saturday.

"Both of these teams can make some noise in our division, so we're going to have to be ready to play," McKeown said.

Fresh women's players contribute

BY DUSTIN GOUKER
HATCHET SPORTS WRITER

Freshmen in collegiate sports are supposed to be bench-warmer, waiting in the wings while the upper-classmen hog all the playing time and all the glory.

And when they actually do get into games, they are supposed to be intimidated by the older and more experienced players.

But two freshmen on the GW women's basketball team are proving this stereotype of first-year athletes doesn't always have to be right. Starting shooting guard Chasity Myers and back-up point guard Marlo Egleston are not just playing a lot of minutes, but they are also two of the reasons why the Colonial Women are riding an eight-game winning streak.

"Marlo and Chasity give me a backcourt I can look at and think that we are going to be in great shape at those two positions over the next few years," head coach Joe McKeown said.

Myers is the third-leading scorer and rebounder for the team at the shooting guard position, leading GW in scoring in a loss to national powerhouse Old Dominion Nov. 15 and pouring in 22 points in a win at home over Harvard Dec. 21.

Egleston's numbers are not quite as impressive as her fellow freshman in the backcourt, but her role in the Colonial Women's success has been no less important. When senior Colleen McCrea was sidelined with a knee injury at the start of the season, Egleston was thrust into the starting position, a tough spot for a

first-year point guard to find herself in.

"People learned to respond to her," McKeown said. "Most freshman point guards don't get that opportunity. She was running this team in October and November."

"Ultimately, you want to come right in and have a positive impact on the team," Egleston said. "It was hard to come in and start, but I got a lot of playing time and a chance to learn from my mistakes."

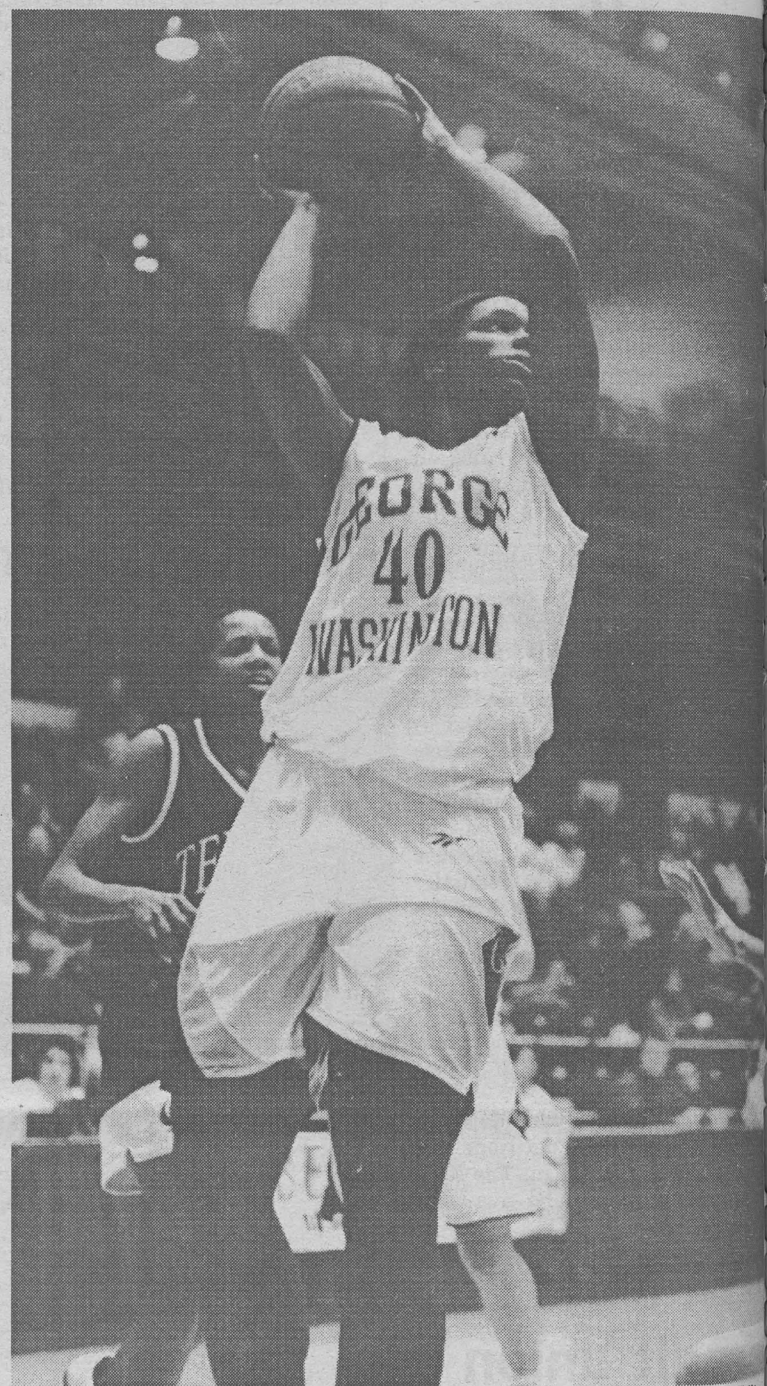
It really has been a trial by fire for Egleston, who averages 26.8 minutes a game. Even though she is coming off the bench, Egleston is averaging more minutes than both Myers and McCrea.

Egleston's real break-out game came at the start of the team's winning streak. Her 19 points against then 13th-ranked Duke in the Big Four Classic in North Carolina sparked the Colonial Women to a 54-48 upset of the Lady Blue Devils. While she has not been a prolific scorer this season, averaging just 5.3 points a game, she is one of GW's deadliest shooters from beyond the three-point arc at 43.6 percent.

"She's a great weapon," McKeown said of Egleston, who he said will turn into one of the premier shooters in women's basketball. "You have to guard her so far out, and that opens up the floor for (Tajama) Abraham and (Noelia) Gomez."

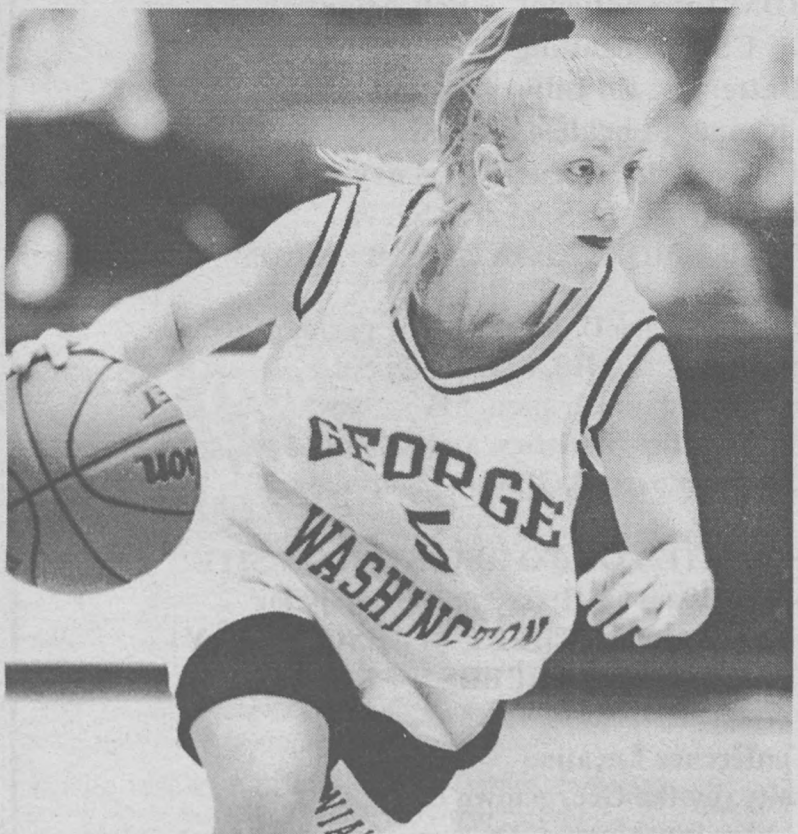
But whatever her role, be it shooter or point guard, Egleston has kept her goals as a freshman simple.

"I just want to be able to contribute and do whatever I can to help the team," she said.



Tyson Trish/Visuals Editor

Senior center Tajama Abraham, shown taking it to the basket against Temple, has been the Atlantic 10's best player this season.



Tyson Trish/Visuals Editor

Freshman Marlo Egleston has teamed with fellow freshman Chasity Myers to provide GW with strong backcourt play.

SPORTS

Lisner Hippo

Close but no cigar for Pats in Super Bowl

It could happen. The New England Patriots could beat the Green Bay Packers in the Super Bowl this Sunday. The Patriot defensive line of Willie McGinest, Chris Slade and Mike Jones could terrorize Brett Favre. The Patriot offense could go deep early in the game. They could win the battles in the trenches.

And then the second quarter will start. And the game will be over, except for the commercials. Here's a breakdown of each team, and how the game will play out. As always, this is for entertainment use only, and any money you lose as a result of this column is solely your fault for taking the word of a hippo.

Defense: Both teams are strong on defense. The Packers have a tremendous line filled with mega-superstars, but when you get to the linebackers and the secondary, the talent drops off for the Pack. The same can be said for the Patriots. The Pats have a great defensive line and great linebackers, but their cornerbacks are terrible. In this game, the better secondary will prevail. Edge: Packers.

Offense: The Packers have the league's MVP, a running back who can catch, and a group of wide receivers that goes nine deep. The Pats are ably assisted by their wide receivers, Terry Glenn and Shawn Jefferson, and by tight end Ben Coates. Curtis Martin could cause problems for the Packers, while Green Bay's Edgar Bennett is always a threat to run or receive out of the backfield. Edge: Even.

Quarterbacks: This battle will come down to the composure of the quarterbacks. Brett Favre has a tendency to get jittery in huge games, and no game is larger than this. The same goes for Bledsoe. But Favre, being older and wiser, will get his head straight before Bledsoe. Edge: Packers.

Special Teams: The Hippo questions the sanity of anyone who punts to Packer Desmond Howard. The Patriot kickers are terrible, too. Edge: Packers.

Coaching: Sportswriters have made Bill Parcells into a coaching god of Lombardi-esque proportions. The Hippo doesn't think Parcells is on that level, but he is capable of making a possible rout closer. Mike Holmgren is a decent coach and has the ability to make good adjustments to help his team. Holmgren is good, but Parcells is better. Edge: Patriots.

The Hippo wants everyone to remember one thing: take the points. The normal super-blowout won't happen this year, but the NFC, and the Packers, will prevail again. Pick: Packers.

-Tryg Olsen

GW shows signs of life at Dayton

BY MATT BONESTEEL
SPORTS EDITOR

For a while last Saturday in Dayton, it looked as if history would repeat itself for the Colonials.

After amassing an 18-point lead early in the second half against the Flyers, GW let Dayton back into the game. At the 6:15 mark, the Colonials held only a nine-point lead.

But with memories of the Jan. 15 debacle against St. Joseph's still fresh in the heads of its players, the GW men's basketball team held on in the final minutes, running away with a 59-38 victory.

Center Alexander Koul led the Colonials (8-6, 3-2 A-10) with 19 points and 13 rebounds, while Yegor Mescheriakov had 18 points and seven rebounds.

But the player who probably won the game for the Colonials was point guard Shawnta Rogers, who collected key rebounds while Koul sat on the bench with foul trouble in the second half. The 5-4 Rogers finished with 11 points, seven steals and an astounding 14 rebounds, which is a GW individual game high this season.

In the first half, a technical foul called on head coach Mike Jarvis seemed to spark the Colonials, who were only up by two with 11:47. After the technical, GW went on a 19-0 run to put the game out of reach.

The Colonials again had a poor

Swim team warms up for '97 GW awaits February's A-10 championships

BY JAMIE LIN
HATCHET SPORTS WRITER

Tanned and toned from a training trip in Key West, Fla., the GW swimming team is poised to make a surge in the final leg of its season. The season finale, the Atlantic 10 Conference championship, begins Feb. 20.

While in sunny Florida, the team successfully completed a training regimen that included four hours of swimming daily, bike-riding, and if you want to count it, para-sailing. With bicycles as their sole mode of transportation, the team had to travel eight miles round-trip from their condo complex to the pool.

It was a week of fun as well as a week of work for the swimmers. But all this physical activity was actually the key to help the team from having too much fun, since they were knocked out early in the evening.

"We went to their rooms just to say 'hi,' and half of them were in bed," head coach Marc Hagen said, adding that he found the training camp extremely productive.

Still recovering from the trip, the team went north and met an uncompetitive Delaware team Jan. 10. "If we had lined up one of the tough teams from conference, it would have been very tough for

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PROBABLE STARTERS

NAME	YEAR	POS.	PPG	RBG
POSEY	SOPH.	F	14.5	6.9
WILLIAMS	SOPH.	F	11.9	4.2
BRAGGS	SENIOR	C	13.5	5.6
BROWN	SOPH.	G	16.8	4.4
LUMPKIN	SOPH.	G	14.8	3.2

Xavier (12-2, 3-1 A-10)

Last game: Defeated Temple 68-64 Jan. 19

The Musketeers sit atop the Atlantic 10 West Division and are ranked 14th in the nation by the Associated Press and 11th in the nation in the CNN/USA Today Coaches Poll. Xavier leads the A-10 in scoring offense (88.5 ppg), scoring margin (+15.9) and field goal percentage (49.3 percent). The Musketeers have never beaten GW in A-10 play, and their last victory over the Colonials was in 1995, before they joined the A-10. Guard Lenny Brown was recently added to the list of John R. Wooden Award nominees.

Xavier at GW, Thursday, 8 p.m. at the Smith Center



PROBABLE STARTERS

NAME	YEAR	POS.	PPG	RBG
MESCHERIAKOV	So.	F	16.5	6.8
WILLIAMS	SENIOR	F	1.4	2.1
KOUL	JUNIOR	C	17.1	8.6
ROGERS	SOPH.	G	12.1	6.1
KRIVONOS	SOPH.	G	3.7	2.4

George Washington (8-6, 3-2 A-10)

Last game: Defeated Dayton 59-38 Jan. 18

A victory over Xavier Thursday would give the Colonials their first back-to-back wins since early December. GW features two players who are among national statistical leaders. Center Alexander Koul is 12th in the nation in field goal percentage, shooting 61.9 percent. Point guard Shawnta Rogers is 11th in the nation in steals (3.1 per game) and 16th in the nation in free throw percentage (87.5 percent). Watch for the unmasking of George the mascot at halftime of Thursday's game.

shooting game, hitting only 40.4 percent of their field goals. But Dayton did not take advantage and shot only 27.3 percent for the game. At one point, the Flyers went 14 consecutive possessions without a field goal.

Dayton (5-10, 1-4 A-10) did not get a productive effort from forward Ryan Perryman, who leads the team in scoring, rebounding and field goal percentage. He only scored four points on 1 of 4 shooting from the field while pulling down

eight rebounds. Jarvis credited senior Ferdinand Williams, who made his first start since his freshman year, with shutting down Perryman.

Rodney Horton led the Flyers with 11 points.

The Colonials hope the win over Dayton is the start of better things to come, with the meat of their Atlantic 10 Conference schedule looming in the weeks ahead. GW takes on No. 14 Xavier Thursday at the Smith Center, and Dayton is the

only A-10 team to beat the Musketeers this season, getting a 98-91 victory Jan. 7.

A win against Xavier would be huge, and it would mark the first time GW has won consecutive games since early December, when the Colonials took care of both American and Mississippi State.

GW and Xavier square off at 8 p.m. Thursday at the Smith Center. The Colonials play again Saturday in a 2 p.m. Homecoming game against La Salle.

Gymnasts invade Bluegrass state; fall to #15 Kentucky

BY HEATHER HARE
HATCHET STAFF WRITER

The GW gymnastics team lost its second meet of the season to the University of Kentucky Friday night. Overall, GW improved three points, but it could not overtake the Kentucky Gym Kats, who are ranked 15th in the nation.

Junior Lisa Gruber said she was happy with GW's score, especially since the team had a number of falls.

The Colonial Women finished in second place with a score of 190.225, while Radford University finished last with 188.1 points. Kentucky received a score of 194.30.

GW juniors Gruber and Alexis Hrynko tied with Kentucky for first in the vault with a 9.875. Kentucky took the event as a team, however, scoring a 48.95 over GW's 48.275.

Senior captain Tracey Ackerman came in third behind Kentucky and Radford gymnasts with a 9.725 in the bars. Kentucky's entry received the top score with a 9.85.

Gruber placed fourth on the beam after the first three places went to Kentucky.

Hrynko placed second on the floor with no close competitors behind her.

Gruber won the all-around event with a 38.775. Hrynko took third with 38.10. Gruber's victory was her team's only one.

Radford, meanwhile, took no top scores and only one second place. The Lady Highlanders trailed far behind GW throughout the meet.

"I feel we did really well considering how early in the season it was," Gruber said.

The Colonial Women take on Alaska-Anchorage, Boise State, Maryland, Southern Connecticut State, Temple and William & Mary Sunday at the GW Invitational. The event starts at noon in the Smith Center.

Gruber said she predicts a successful meet when the team gets back to the Smith Center. "We're going to put it all together," she said. "We are going to hit it," adding that the team has a higher confidence level now.

Sunday's meet is a rare home meet for the gymnastics team. The Colonial Women will not have another one in the Smith Center until Feb. 25 against Towson State.

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